

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General laws, Chapter 30A, Section 20, notice is hereby given for the following meeting of the:

***Arlington School Committee
Curriculum Instruction Accountability and Assessment
Monday, October 23, 2023
2:00 PM***

Conducted by Remote Participation <https://www.mass.gov/doc/order-suspending-certain-provision-of-open-meeting-law/download> via Zoom link below:

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OR in person at:

*Arlington High School
869 Massachusetts Avenue
6th Floor - Superintendent's Office
Arlington, MA 02476*

Open Meeting (J. Morgan)

SPED New Programs Report

6th Grade Overnight Experience

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Draft Meeting Minutes for Approval

- *DRAFT Meeting Minutes - 9/13/2023*
- *DRAFT Meeting Minutes - 6/14/2023*

Adjournment (J. Morgan)

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be

discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Stated times and time amounts, listed in parenthesis, are the estimated amount of time for that particular agenda item. Actual times may be shorter or longer depending on the time needed to fully explore the topic.

Submitted by Jane Morgan, Chair

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Meeting Location - Hybrid

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Draft Meeting Minutes for Approval

Summary:

- DRAFT Meeting Minutes - 9/13/2023
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ATTACHMENTS:

Type	File Name	Description
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes	9.13.23_-_Google_Docs.pdf	DRAFT Meeting Minutes - 9-13-2023
<input type="checkbox"/> Minutes	6.14.23_-_Google_Docs_(1).pdf	DRAFT Meeting Minutes - 6-14-2023

Arlington School Committee
Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment & Accountability Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 13, 2023 @ 2:30 p.m.
DRAFT

Attendance

Subcommittee Members: Jane Morgan (Chair), Liz Exton, Len Kardon

School Committee Members: Paul Schlichtman

District Leadership: Liz Homan (Superintendent), Mona Ford-Walker (Deputy Superintendent), Matthew Coleman (Director of Data, Research and Accountability)

Community members: none

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

Outcomes report

- Matthew Coleman provided an overview of the accountability system.
- Subcommittee members provided feedback on what they would like to see in the outcomes report.
- Feedback was also given around how the outcomes report will dovetail with the School Improvement Plans.

X-block and time on learning at AHS

- Dr Homan presented the memo that was written by Dr. Janger
- It was noted that the calculations in the memo did not include half days, conference days or the final exam schedule. Dr Homan will go back to Dr Janger to review and we will revisit in October.
- It was noted that x-block is not required attendance for students. Dr Homan reported that efforts are being made to encourage students to meet with teachers during that time.

Meeting agenda items

- Len Kardon clarified with Dr. Homan about what he is looking for in the SPED programs report as part of the October meeting
- Liz Exton requested that we get some information on how the SST meetings and process works - that is planned tentatively for December 2023 or later
- The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 23 at 2PM

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Arlington School Committee
Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment & Accountability Subcommittee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 14, 2023 @ 3:30 p.m.
DRAFT

Attendance

Subcommittee Members: Jane Morgan (Chair), Liz Exton, Len Kardon

District Leadership and Staff: Liz Homan (Superintendent), Rod MacNeal (Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction), Fabielle Pierre-Maxwell (Gibbs School Principal), Jennifer Lauchlan (Gibbs-Ottoson librarian), Jane Strauch (Gibbs math teacher), and Sara Cuthbertson (Gibbs special educator)

Community members: none

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Job Descriptions

- The subcommittee reviewed the job description for the Leadership Development and Onboarding Program Designer. The subcommittee voted 3-0-0 (motion by Mr. Kardon, second by Ms. Exton) to recommend approval of the job description to the full committee.

SIP Template Discussion

- The subcommittee briefly discussed the need to have a standardized template across schools for School Improvement Plan presentations. Dr. Homan said that this would be an effort led by Dr. Ford-Walker over the summer.

Project U

- Educators from the Gibbs school reviewed the intentions and planning behind Project U at Gibbs School.
- Gibbs educators shared challenges with implementation in terms of staff readiness.
- Jane Morgan expressed concern that there was an MOU with the union around implementation which the School Committee hadn't heard about. Dr. Homan said that it was a misunderstanding and would not happen again.
- Len Kardon expressed concern about the lack of communication with families and the size of the pilot program (whole school, required MOU, etc).
- Madame Pierre-Maxwell indicated that there would be follow up surveys for students and staff about Project U.
- Plans for Project U for the 23-24 school year are undetermined.

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from the 5.22.23 meeting were unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.



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Adjournment (J. Morgan)



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